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DEPARTMENT OF STATE A/CDC/MR
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RE: Peoples Temple

Dear Mr. McCoy;

I wish to thank you for your time in discussing the above matter with me during our telephone conversation of August 22, 1977 and I have taken your advice and contacted Mr. Tumminia, in our State Department, as well as the Guyana Embassy in Washington, D.C.

As I told you during our conversation, my initial call to you of three weeks ago, was in regard to simply finding out policy and attitudes. However, various matters have come to light over recent weeks and the concern of my clients prompted the additional inquiry of Monday last. Never-the-less, even though I represent certain people as a private investigator, I am a private citizen and therefore, required to abide by the laws and policies of our government, even though these people are desperate for the return of their children and wards.

Also, as I stated to you, this firm was initially involved only with regard to the return of three (3) children, whose parents or guardians retained us, but as matters progressed and the media became involved, many ex-temple members, previously afraid to speak out, did so and allegations of fraud, forgery, and other crimes were made and documented by these persons. At the same time, this firm became a clearing house for material and many additional people requested our assistance in ascertaining the whereabouts of children, wards, or relatives, particularly, senior citizens who had given away all of their worldly possessions and gone off to the "Guyana Paradise".

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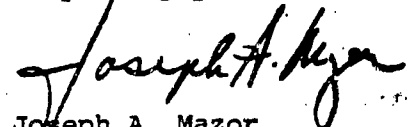
As matters now stand, we have been asked to assist in the location and possible return of several children, all under the age of eighteen (18) years and all citizens of the United States. I have attached a list of those children and the supporting documentation. Additionally, we have been asked to locate others, now in Guyana, if for no other reason than to inform them that their families and relatives are concerned and wish their return. These names are included on an attached separate list.

Lastly, many of these ex-temple members, while members, were required by Reverend Jones personally, or other high members of the Temple, to apply for passports and turn them over to the Temple. When these people left the Temple, they were not allowed to have their passports back and information has been received which indicates that these passports may be for sale on the black market at this time. I have attached a list of those persons whose passports were last known to be in the possession of the Temple.

I have contacted the attorneys whose names you kindly gave me from the list and will follow your suggestions as to proper procedure with regard to ascertaining the legalities of the return of the children. However, I feel that the passport matter belongs solely to the State Department and as a matter of course, I am inclosing a copy of this letter to Mr. Tumminia, along with the newspaper material and listings.

I do thank you for your assistance in this matter and hope that it can be resolved successfully.

Very truly yours,



Joseph A. Mazor
for JOSEPH A. MAZOR & ASSOC.

Listing Of Children Under The Age Of Eighteen (18) Presently
In The Republic Of Guyana

NAME

AGE

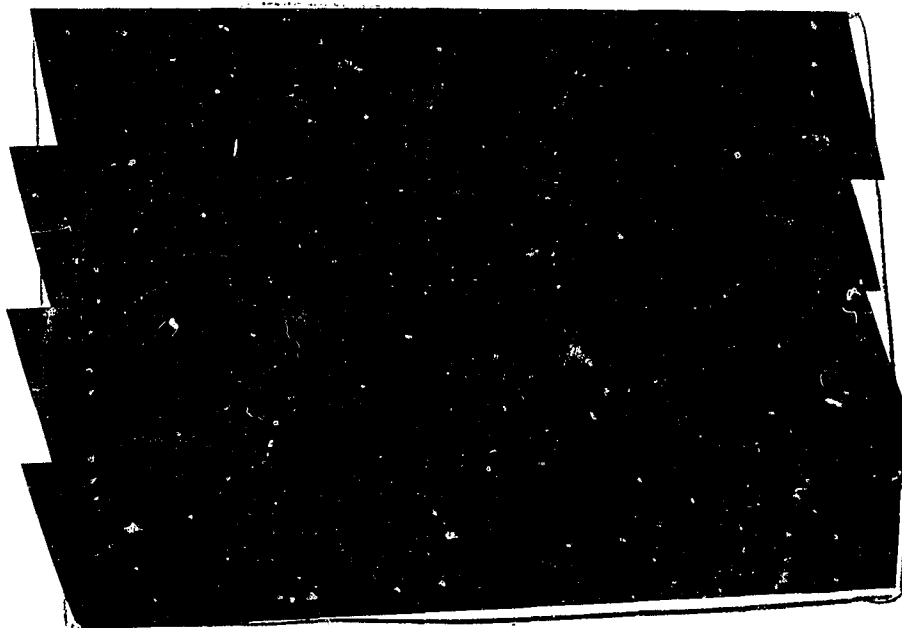


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Listing Of Persons Whose Families Have Requested Their
Location And Whereabouts

NAME

AGE



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Listing Of Persons Whose Passports Are Under The Control
Of Peoples Temple

Name

Place & Date of Application



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